

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Group Art Unit: 3663  
Examiner: Eric L. Bolda  
Title: OPTICAL FIBER COMMUNICATION SYSTEM USING  
REMOTE PUMPING  
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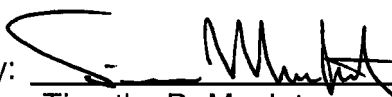
**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 25, 2007, Applicant hereby elects to prosecute Species B, FIG. 3, for prosecution in this application. FIG. 3 relates to Claim 2. Applicant makes this election without prejudice and reserves the right to prosecute the remaining Species at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,

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